

Date: 05.02.2007

...Petitioners

...Respondents

WRIT PETITION No.414 of 2007

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned counsel for the respondents.

The A.P. (Agricultural Produce & Live Stocks) Markets Act, 1966 (for short 'the Act') provides for regulation of trade and business in agricultural produce and live stock, within the jurisdiction of notified markets. Section 7 of the Act prescribes the procedure for grant and renewal of licences. The petitioners claim to have submitted applications for grant of licences. In case, they have complied with the necessary requirements, they are entitled to be issued such licences. On the other hand, if the applications are defective, in any manner, the first respondent is under obligation to intimate the reasons to the petitioners. Either way, the first respondent ought to have taken steps on the applications of the petitioners.

Hence, the Writ Petition is disposed of, directing the first respondent to take necessary steps on the applications of the petitioners, within four (4) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

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